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SUBJECT: WATERLIER PEACE PRIZE

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1. AMBASSADOR VAN ROIJEN DESIRES TO MAKE FOLLOWING CHANGES IN PRESS COMMUNIQUE APPROVED BY SECRETARY LAST SUMMER IN ORDER TO CLARIFY THAT WATERLIER PEACE PRIZE IS BEING AWARDED THE SECRETARY FOR HIS EFFORTS TO PROMOTE PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT IN THE SEVERAL MONTHS FOLLOWING THE YOM KIPPUR WAR. THUS "HAS BEEN" BECOMES "WAS" IN LINE 1 PARA 1 AND THE WORDS "IN JUNE 1974" ARE INSERTED IN LINE 3 PARA 1 AFTER "THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA". IN LINE 4 PARA 2 THE SENTENCE WILL READ "IN THE MONTHS FOLLOWING MR. KISSINGER SPENT" (IN LIEU OF "SINCE THEN MR. KISSINGER HAS SPENT"). IN THE THIRD LINE OF THE SECOND COMPLETE PARAGRAPH ON PAGE 2 REMOVE "HAS" BEFORE "SUCCEEDED". THE FINAL PARAGRAPH ON PAGE 3 SHOULD CONCLUDE "AT THE ROYAL NETHERLANDS EMBASSY IN BRUSSELS ON DECEMBER 11, 1974" (IN LIEU OF "AT THE PEACE PALACE IN THE HAGUE ON A DATE TO BE DETERMINED").

2. VAN ROIJEN PROPOSES TO RELEASE THE PRESS COMMUNIQUE IN ADVANCE OF THE CEREMONY AS SOON AS FINAL AGREEMENT

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HAS BEEN REACHED ON THE TIMING. EMBASSY WILL ADVISE

THE DEPRMTMENT PRIOR TO RELEASE OF THE COMMUNIQUE.

3. THE PRIZE TO BE PRESENTED TO THE SECRETARY BY AMBASSADOR VAN ROIJEN WILL BE A CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF 30,000 GUILDERS (APPROXIMATELY \$11,540 AT THE CURRENT RATE). ALSO PRESENT ON THE DUTCH SIDE WILL BE THE NETHERLANDS AMBASSADOR TO BELGIUM, C.J. VAN SCHELLE, AND TWO MEMBERS OF THE CARNEGIE FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS: JOHKHEER D.G. DE GRAEFF, CHAMBERLAIN OF THE ROYAL HOUSEHOLD; AND JAN BRUGGEMAN, POLICY PLANNING ADVISER, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS. VAN ROIJEN IS HOPING, OF COURSE, THAT FONMIN VAN DER STOEL WILL ALSO BE PRESENT.

4. VAN ROIJEN WOULD BE AGREEABLE TO HAVING ANDRE NAVEZ AND ANY OTHER AMERICAN REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT FOR THE CEREMONY BUT ASKS THAT THIS ASPECT BE COORDINATED WITH THE NETHERLANDS EMBASSY IN BRUSSELS. AS A MATTER OF COURTESY WE WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO INFORM HIM IN ADVANCE WHO THEY WOULD BE.

5. SCENARIO WILL BE QUITE SIMPLE. FOLLOWING INTRODUCTIONS, VAN ROIJEN WILL MAKE REMARKS OF NO MORE THAN FIVE MINUTES' DURATION ABOUT THE SECRETARY'S WORK FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST, THEN PRESENT THE AWARD AND AWAIT THE SECRETARY'S REMARKS IN REPLY. PHOTOGRAPHS WILL BE TAKEN AT THE APPROPRIATE MOMENT. VAN ROIJEN ADDED THAT THE QUESTION OF REFRESHMENTS AND ANY OTHER SCENARIO DETAILS WILL BE ARRANGED BY THE NETHERLANDS EMBASSY IN BRUSSELS. GOULD

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